

House Bill 1407

By: Representatives Geisinger of the 48th and Wilkinson of the 52nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Part 3 of Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to jurisdiction and venue of the juvenile court, so as to provide that the superior courts of this state shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any child 13 to 17 years old who commits the offense of homicide by vehicle; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Part 3 of Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to jurisdiction and venue of the juvenile court, is amended by striking subparagraph (b)(2)(A) of Code Section 15-11-28, relating to jurisdiction of the juvenile court, and inserting in lieu thereof a new subparagraph (b)(2)(A) to read as follows:

"(2)(A) The superior court shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the trial of any child 13 to 17 years of age who is alleged to have committed any of the following offenses:

(i) Murder;

(ii) Voluntary manslaughter;

(iii) Rape;

(iv) Aggravated sodomy;

(v) Aggravated child molestation;

(vi) Aggravated sexual battery; ~~or~~

(vii) Armed robbery if committed with a firearm; or

(viii) Homicide by vehicle."

SECTION 2.

1 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2006, and shall apply to all crimes committed on
2 or after such date.

3 **SECTION 3.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.